(c) if so, the reasons for not taking up this area for irrigation purposes by the Government;

(d) whether it is a fact that the people of this area (East of Hagari river) represented to the Chief Minister, when he visited Chellagurki Muth in Bellary Taluk about a year ago;

(e) whether Government has got a decretionary right to delete any area without the consent of the ryots of that area which was included in the original scheme by the then Madras Government ?

SRI VEERENDRA PATIL (Chief Minister).—

(a) This being an area of scanty rainfall, where the dry crops have been often failing due to want of water at the time of maturity of crops assistance of an irrigation project to supply water during the period when water was required for the maturing of the crop, was inevitably required, hence the project was conceived largely for that purpose. The other aspect is that instead of concentrating irrigation benefits in a smaller area by giving heavy irrigation facilities, the introduction of dry crops has enabled to spread the irrigation benefits to a larger area, thereby larger number of people get the irrigation benefits. The soils are also suited for the dry crops except in low lying areas.

(b) About 20,000 acres have been included in the H.L.C. Scheme of Tungabhadra Project.

(c) The proposal of constructing an Aqueduct across Hagari River for taking the water to feed the lands of the villages is found to be very uneconomical, however, final decision has not yet been taken on this issue.

(d) Representations have been received requesting for providing irrigation benefits to that area.

(e) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (c) above.

CONSTITUTION OF TOWN MUNICIPALITY FOR DANDELI

692. SRI B. P. KADAM (Karwar).—

Will the Minister of State for Municipal Administration be pleased to state:—

(a) since how long the Notified Area Committee, Dandeli is in existence;

(b) whether it is a fact that its members are nominated; if so who are they;

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(*c*) whether it is fact the people of Dandeli are agitating for the consititution of a full-fledged town municipality and whether innumerable representations in this connection have been sent to Government;

(*d*) if so, the decision taken by Government on these representations?

SRI B. M. PATIL (Minister of State for Municipal Administration)

(*a*) Since 28th January, 1966.

(*b*) Yes:

1	The Deputy Commissioner, North Kanara District	Chairman
2	Sri C. L. Maheswari	Member
3	Sri K. S. Lauly	Member
4	Sri Mahammed Akbar	Member
5	Sri G. D. Kambadkone	Member

(*c*) No formal representation is made to Government in this behalf though a few people started distributing printed pamphlets addressed to the public for the constitution of Town Municipality.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*c*).

FINANCIAL POSITION OF MANGALORE MUNICIPALITY

708. SRI B. M. IDINABBA (Mangalore):—

Will the Minister of State for Municipal Administration be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether the Mangalore Town Municipality is now running under profit or loss, and whether it has incurred loans;

whether due to non-levy of octroi the profit of the Municipality is affected,

(*c*) whether Government have made any suggestions to them to levy octroi?

SRI B. M. PATIL (Minister of State for Municipal Administration.

(*a*) The Municipality is neither at profit nor at loss, but it has incurred loans.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) There is no need to suggest like that.